

Claim 8. A piezoelectric lighter having a fuel tank, a gas ejecting tip communicating with said fuel tank, a piezoelectric unit having an ignition tip connected thereto capable of producing a spark to ignite fuel released from said gas ejecting tip, and a thumb push cap capable of activating said piezoelectric unit when depressed, the improvement comprising:

said piezoelectric unit including a mechanism by which an upward force is transmitted to said thumb push cap to urge said cap into an upper normal position; and,

a safety apparatus having a pressure absorbing device capable of transmitting an additional upward force to said thumb push cap to augment the upward force provided by said piezoelectric unit.

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